



State Senator
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Committees: Appropriations (Chair) (Subcommittees: Capital Outlay (Chair); Transportation (Chair); Higher Education (Vice Chair); Department of Natural Resources (Vice Chair); Department of Community Health); Senate Fiscal Agency Governing Board

Biography: Republican, of Troy; born December 14, 1937; married to husband Cliff for 42 years; 2 sons, both graduates of Michigan State University; attended Wayne State University and Oakland Community College; previously held administrative positions in private industry; active civic leader; member and past President, Royal Oak Republican Women's Club; former coordinator, March of Dimes and Muscular Dystrophy Associations; member, House Appropriations Committee (Vice Chair), 1982-1998; recipient, Oakland County School Board Association Legislative Recognition Award, 1994; "Certification of Appreciation" for Helping Young People in Crisis from Sanctuary Board of Directors, 1996; Business and Professional Women's Club "Women of Achievement" Award, City of Royal Oak Proclamation of Community Service, 1998; Paul Harris Fellowship Award, Clawson Rotary, 1999; Hope Network Achievement Award, Association for Children's Mental Health Legislator of the Year Award, Michigan Council for Maternal and Child Health's Legislator of the Year Award, 2000; the Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards' Legislator of the Year "Go to Bat", "Do Something Wonderful for Children" Legislative Award by Michigan's Children, a child advocacy organization, State Leadership Award from the Arab-American and Chaldean Council, Northeast Guidance Center's Joe Young Leadership Award in Mental Health, Detroit-Wayne County Community Mental Health Agency's Board of Directors Legislator of the Year Award, 2001; Distinguished Service Award by the Michigan Business and Professional Association and the Michigan Food and Beverage Association, National Federation of Independent Business's Guardian of Small Businesses Award, Legislator of the Year from the Michigan Credit Union League, Legislator of the Year from United Cerebral Palsy of Michigan, Phyllis Levine Legislative Advocacy Award for Mental Health Services in Michigan, 2002; Public Official of the Year, ARC of Oakland County, 2003; Champion of Hope Award, National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, 2003; Public Official of the Year Award

from Michigan Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, 2003; Outstanding Legislative Performance Award from Michigan Manufacturers Association, 2003; Legislator of Year, Michigan Audubon Society, 2004; Michigan Chapter Public Servant of the Year from Paralyzed Veterans of America, 2004; Policymaker of the Year Award from Michigan Home Health Association, 2004; Friend of National Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Michigan, 2005; elected to the House of Representatives in 1980 and served 18 years; elected to the State Senate in a special election, March 16, 1999, reelected, 2002.

